

Holes Open In Ground, Geysers Spout Near Kalkaska

Residents Flee Natural Gas Eruptions

WILLIAMSBURG, Mich. (AP) — Continuing mysterious natural gas eruptions near this northern Michigan community have forced at least 25 families from their homes, authorities report.

Grand Traverse County sheriff's deputies said geysers and potholes continued today to open, honeycombing a two-square-mile area.

Officers have cordoned off the area, saying they feared an

explosion from the accumulating gas.

Another geyser reportedly erupted along the side of Michigan 72 today across the road from a gaping hole 20 feet wide and 2-3 feet deep which cracked the highway earlier.

Authorities closed a 15-mile section of the highway between Kalkaska and the nearby village of Acme today after the first hole appeared.

State Police said they ordered 25 families to leave their homes beginning about 4:30 a.m.

A statement was expected later today from Department of Natural Resources geologists making inspections in the area. County officials were said to have been in touch with Gov. William Milliken to discuss the possibility of declaring an emergency if the situation should continue to worsen.

Some of the eruptions, which began Wednesday, are carrying subterranean water, causing geysers as high as three to four feet, observers reported. They said the geysers sounded similar to a roaring waterfall.

One hole was said to have partially undermined a house, causing the dwelling to settle.

Officials said they were baffled by the eruptions of gas from within the earth, although some speculated a nearby gas well could be leaking and causing the problem.

Representatives of Amoco Productions, which is drilling the well, declined comment until company officials from Texas have inspected the area. They said a statement probably will be made late today.



NAMED IN WATERGATE AFFAIR: The Washington Post said Wednesday evening that Jeb

Winning Numbers

WYANDOTTE, Mich. (AP) — Here are this week's winning numbers in the Michigan Lottery: 568 — 972.

Stuart Magruder, right, former deputy campaign manager for Nixon's re-election committee, told federal prosecutors G. Gordon Liddy, left, that former Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell, second from right, and White House counsel John W. Dean III, second from left, met in February 1972 to discuss and approve the illegal electronic eavesdropping operation at the Watergate. Liddy, a former White House aide, was one of those convicted in the Watergate trial. (AP Wirephoto)

Bugging Spotlight On Mitchell, Dean

Hot Testimony Expected In Watergate Case

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Watergate spy team was commanded by two leading Nixon administration officials who later tried to buy the silence of the arrested conspirators, the Washington Post says.

Jeb Stuart Magruder, former No. 2 man in the Nixon re-election

campaign, will tell a federal grand jury today that former Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell and present White House Counsel John W. Dean III planned and approved the bugging raid on Democratic national headquarters, the Post said in today's edition.

Magruder already has given his account to federal prosecutors, the newspaper reported.

Dean soon will resign and his example may well be followed by H. R. Haldeman, White House chief of staff, the paper quoted executive branch sources as saying.

Criminal indictments are in line for both Mitchell and Dean following Magruder's scheduled testimony under oath to the grand jury investigating the Watergate scandal.

Mitchell, Dean and Magruder could not be reached for comment early today. At the Mitchell's New York City apartment, a building doorman refused to allow newsmen to contact the couple.

The White House refused immediate comment on details of the report.

However, Deputy White

House Press Secretary Gerald L. Warren said, "The White House is not prepared to react to a story based on sources. At a time when the rights of individuals would not be jeopardized by a comment, an appropriate comment will be made."

Devan Shumway, spokesman for the Committee for the Re-election of the President, said he was not a position to comment on the Post story or to indicate any knowledge of whether indictments or resignations were expected.



H. R. HALDEMAN
May Resign Post

Accepts 'Full Blame'

Top Milliken Aide Resigns

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Donald Gordon, Gov. William Milliken's 1970 campaign strategist, has taken the "full blame" for an "agreement" which resulted in the political support of James Del Rio, a former state representative and now Detroit Recorder's Court

judge, in the gubernatorial election.

Gordon also submitted his resignation Wednesday as a member of the State Civil Service Commission "effective immediately."

Recent published reports have implied Del Rio's girl friend was hired to an \$18,462-a-year job in Milliken's executive office in return for Del Rio's support in the 1970 gubernatorial election.

"Because I was chief of staff at the time and was acting without your knowledge," Gordon said in a letter to Milliken, "the blame is mine alone, and I accept it fully."

He apologized to Milliken and Michigan for what he called an agreement which led to Del Rio's support.

Milliken has denied all allegations of deals between Del Rio's support and the hiring of Glenda McGuire, 28, as a researcher in his office.

Gordon was the second commissioner to resign in less than three days. Civil Service Commission Chairman David Pollack submitted his resignation to Milliken Monday over a conflict of interest issue.

Gordon wrote Milliken, "My error was one of bad judgment, not of bad faith. No governor of any state was ever more honest and straightforward than you are, and I simply cannot let my action cast a cloud over your honor."

Recent published reports said Miss McGuire did little or no work in the executive office, and that she was hired as a payoff

for sport Republican Milliken received in Detroit from Del Rio, a black Democrat.

Milliken fired Miss McGuire last week and denied any deals were cut when she was hired by John Dempsey, state budget director.

Del Rio asserted in a news conference last week he managed Milliken's Detroit campaign in 1970 and asked

Milliken for support last November in his campaign for Recorder's Court.

Milliken has denied those statements.

Dempsey said he hired Miss McGuire on the strength of "good recommendations" from her former employer, House Clerk Thomas Thatcher, and a

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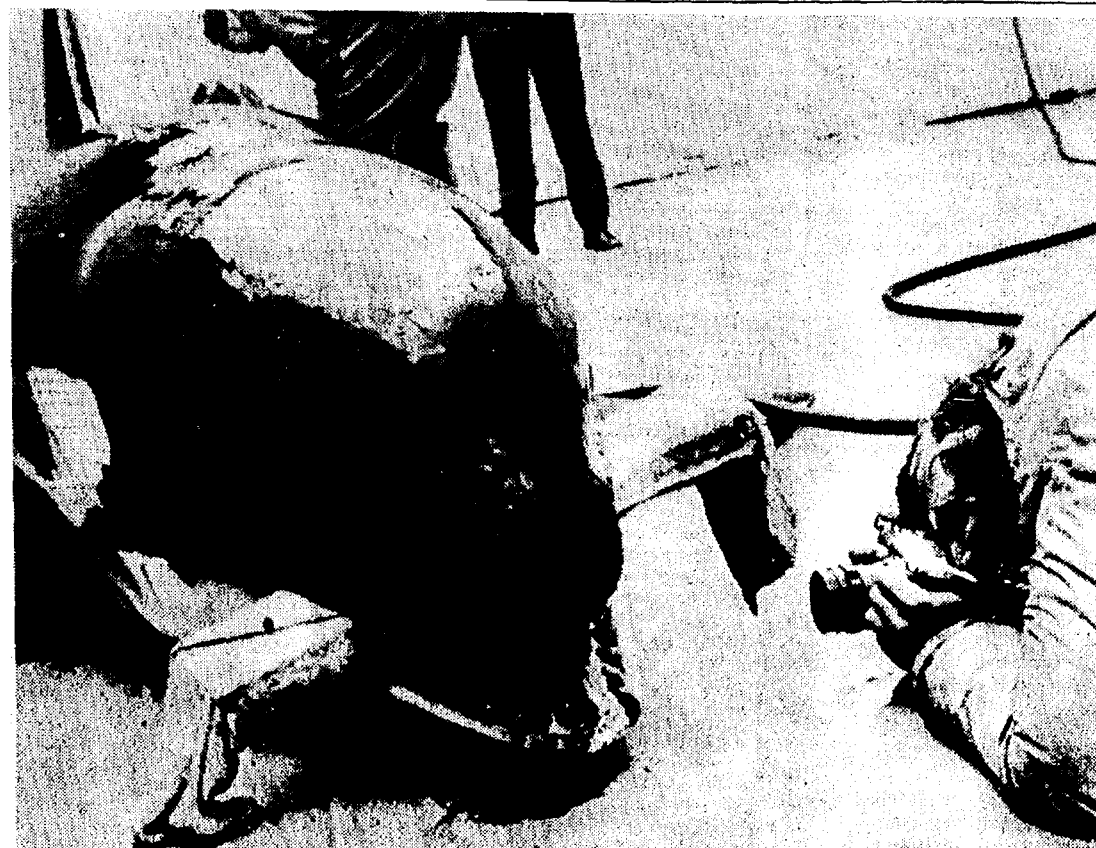
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Experienced A.M. waitress, Top pay, Holmsted Restaurant, 1850 Napier, B.H. Adv.



WHALE OF A TOOTHACHE: Pity the poor killer whale who can't even have a toothache in private. This young female whale, fitted with an out-sized tongue depressor, had a tooth extracted Wednesday at the Seattle Marine Aquarium as the first step in

the cure of a jaw infection. But before the yanking, David Harden took closeup pictures of the trouble spot for a documentary on the rare event. (AP Wirephoto)

Oliver Fights To Quash Seized Notes

BY BILL RUSH
Staff Writer

Letters reportedly seized from Kenneth Eugene Oliver at the county jail in January are expected to be a center of controversy at today's hearing in Berrien circuit court.

Oliver, 33, of Detroit, is charged with first degree murder in connection with the shooting of State Trooper Steven DeVries Oct. 12 following a bank robbery in Niles.

The letters are believed to be major evidence in the state's case against Oliver when he comes to trial.

Shortly after the letters were intercepted in January, police recovered a sack of money in Bertrand township containing nearly \$38,723 stolen from the West Side Branch of the First National Bank of Southwestern Michigan in Niles prior to the shooting of DeVries.

One letter was addressed to Pamela Algar, an acquaintance of Oliver's from Detroit, with a second letter addressed to Thomas Bradford containing a map and correspondence.

Oliver claims seizure of the letters from his belongings was an unreasonable interference with his right to communicate by means of the United States mail and that the evidence violates his right to be free from self-incrimination.

The hearing on defense motions by Oliver to suppress the letters and other items as evidence because of illegal search and seizure and for a change of venue for his trial was scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. before Judge Julian Hughes.

The Berrien prosecutor's office filed a memorandum of law Wednesday in circuit court claiming jail officers opened and inspected the letters under established jail practices.

The memorandum states "these letters came into the possession of the officials of the jail under their established practice designed to protect the security of the institution. Under such circumstances the seizure was not unreasonable nor in violation of any of the defendant's rights."

The prosecutor's memorandum contends that Oliver signed a jail booking sheet authorizing the sheriff's department to censor mail which he sent and received while confined in the county jail. "The letters complained of in this case which were sought to be placed in the United States mail by means outside the regular prison channels were also subject to censorship."

The prosecutor's office also asked that a change of venue be denied or that it be taken under advisement pending attempts by the court to select an impartial jury within Berrien county.

Save 10% on Easter shoes at Edison's thru Sat. Adv. See coupon ad page 15. Baker Bookhouse. Adv.

State Lottery
Local Man
Wins \$50,000!

Bobby Ray Tippy, 38, 2154 Crawford drive, Benton Heights, today won \$50,000 in the Michigan Lottery drawing held at Wyandotte.

Tippy, a saw operator at Kaywood corporation in Benton Harbor, was one of 15 persons in the running for prizes that ranged from \$10,000 to \$200,000. He is the fifth person who purchased a lottery ticket in southwestern Michigan that went on to win \$50,000 prizes.

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Editorial Page

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Nixon Opens The
Gate On Watergate

On last June 17th, a half a dozen persons on the payroll of the many committees raising funds to finance President Nixon's re-election drive burglarized the Democratic national committee's headquarters in Washington's posh Watergate Inn.

Sufficient evidence accumulated within the next few days to enable Larry O'Brien, the committee's chairman, to all but accuse the White House's prime tenant of masterminding this clumsy spy job.

The Watergate affair became about the only campaign cry available to George McGovern. Opinion polls showed the South Dakota Senator trailing Nixon so poorly on the main issues before the country that McGovern had to seize upon the theme of "honesty and integrity in the electoral process."

To O'Brien's distress the public dismissed Watergate as just one more caper to be expected from any politician, and Nixon walloped his man almost as badly as LBJ sunk Barry Goldwater in 1964.

Watergate faded from the news following the election and then revived after Congress had organized itself for its current session.

The Senate's Democratic majority handed Sam Ervin, a North Carolina veteran legislator and chairman of its Judiciary Committee, the job of digging in to the case and the Justice Department successfully brought to trail several persons invading the Democratic headquarters.

The trials revealed nothing more than the physical act of the trespass by what at the time were unknown personalities.

"Mr. Big," the mastermind behind the plot, remained in hiding.

Ervin took up the job of ferreting him out.

Immediately he ran into the fuzzy constitutional concept that each of the three branches in government is immune to revealing its secrets to the other two.

Nixon clamped a secrecy order on White House aides which Ervin demanded to appear before his committee.

The first break in this stalemate occurred on March 21st when James W. McCord, Jr., one of these convicted for breaking into Watergate, said he would be willing to tell what he had hitherto kept to himself.

In a hastily called press conference

Problems Down
On The Farm

Meat boycott leaders have generally been at pains to say they have nothing against the farmer, and do not consider him the villain of the piece. The meat price imbroglio has nevertheless placed the farmer in a somewhat brighter spotlight than he is used to.

While he is standing there, perhaps a bit dazzled by the unaccustomed glare, it seems appropriate to note that being a modern tiller of the soil is more complex and problem filled than most city folks realize. The point is brought home by a dispatch from Iowa State University about a pesky soybean disease.

The soybean has swiftly gained in importance as one of the basic crops in recent years. It is a very important source of high quality protein, much in

Tuesday afternoon, Nixon said recent events had prompted him to pursue his own investigation of the incident and that starting about May 15th, Senator Ervin may call anyone from his staff to tell what they know concerning Watergate.

The only restriction imposed by the President was in dividing the hearings into public and private sessions. His assistants, he stated, would retain the discretion to assert executive privilege (no talk) at the public hearings.

What prompted Nixon to relent on the executive privilege stand?

Two reasons come to mind.

One is that he has arranged with Ervin the ground rules under which the Watergate investigation will be handled.

The other is the teepees from which any elective official suffers even in his sleep.

While it is doubtful if the man on the street feels strongly about Watergate, he is leery about Phase III. A lump in the stomach easily makes itself felt elsewhere in the body.

If Phase III were going as well as Phase II, the influential Republican advisors close to Nixon would counsel the cold shoulder for Ervin.

Since it is not, these people fear Phase III could cause Watergate to develop some frightful blooms in next year's Congressional and local contests.

Better than a few heads roll than the party's collective cranial system is good advice whatever the partisan stripe worn by an organization.

Opening the doors at Watergate could produce a divided for the Administration in whatever future horn locking with Congress may arise on the latter's predilection to throw budgetary caution to the winds, executive appointments, the energy crisis and the many other questions on which Democrats and Republicans find little agreement.

Some of the Democratic opposition to Nixon is more of a label than it is a fact as recent uphodings of critical vetoes demonstrates.

Yet continued intransigence on Watergate could create an emotional glue to defeat White House plans that are intrinsically good for the country and indirectly the GOP.

Probably Nixon should have neutralized Watergate months ago.

Letting the timer run on a bomb is something for the movies.



GLANCING BACKWARDS

NAME TOP GRADS AT BRIDGMAN
— 1 Years Ago —

Sharon Howard has been named valedictorian of this year's graduating class at Bridgman high school and Paul Weber is salutatorian.

Miss Howard is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Howard, 535 Oak street, Bridgman. She is a member of the student council, a library assistant and a member of the gavel club. She plans to attend college this fall, majoring in special education.

Miss Weber is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Weber, 9736 Baldwin road, Bridgman. She is a cheerleader, a member of the National Honor Society, the

Bridgman high school band, the gymnastics club and the Southwestern Michigan Symnats. She plans to attend the University of Michigan this fall, majoring in physical education.

used annually to assist some Berrien county student to pursue a college course in the related arts and science of the agricultural field.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

HELPFUL COOPERATION
Editor,
Lake Michigan Catholic's Drama and Music departments would like to thank you sincerely for your help in publishing the news of our production of "South Pacific."

Without such helpful cooperation from considerate people such as you, our play would not have been a success.

Terri Ziebarth,
Secretary,
LMC Drama club.

DON'T MURDER A MURDERER
Editor,
Society doesn't have the right to murder a murderer.

Since man is influenced by society, I feel it's society's fault a man kills. If a child is put into an institution which uses brutal force to keep the child out of trouble, that child may use brutal force when he gets out in the world, to make things the way he wants them. Since this person was treated harshly, he may think little of murder.

Some people feel it's necessary to get rid of someone because of something that happened earlier. When stories come out about murders, there are hardly ever any reasons for the murders.

I believe that most people who

commit a murder have to be insane, because I don't think anyone in their right mind could actually kill someone. Some people feel guilty after a murder and feel they don't deserve to live. But how did he go insane? He couldn't have done it on his own because a person isn't brought into this world insane. They need help.

If a child is brought up right he will go right in life. Society depends too much on the individual. Even a murderer needs help. A prisoner should be sympathized with and helped, not killed. After all, his purpose in life isn't just to kill and die.

The society that man learns from doesn't have a right to. Aren't we really committing the same crime if we use the death penalty?

So, we've got our reasons, so did they!

Ann Strzykowski,
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St. Joseph

PRESENT AT 'UNVEILING'
Editor,
I was present at the special meeting of the Benton Harbor Board of Education on Tuesday, April 17, 1973 and witnessed an unveiling. There was no statue or award displayed but more significantly the true colors of six of the seven board members was finally brought out into the open.

On this Tuesday evening, by a vote of six to one, the Board of Education voted not to oppose the request for transfer of the Sodus, Chadwick, Mt. Pleasant area from the school district. At this point I would like to commend Mrs. Fox for her valiant but unsuccessful effort to point out to the other board members where their true responsibilities lay.

Although well aware of the intentions of some of these board members, when they were elected to the Board of Education, it was my hope that they would recognize the true potential existing within this district and work for its betterment not its destruction. However, on Tuesday evening, these hopes were thoroughly

Deny Marines
Sent To Asia

WASHINGTON (AP) — Spokesmen for the military and the U.S. Embassy in Cambodia have denied a report that U.S. Marines are being sent from Okinawa to the embattled Southeast Asian nation.

The report was repeated Wednesday night in a House speech by Rep. Fortney H. Stark, D-Calif. Stark said he received unconfirmed information from an antiwar group known as the Okinawan Project of National Lawyers.

NIXONS ABSENT
WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House will be the scene of the annual Easter Egg Roll again on Monday, but the President and Mrs. Nixon aren't expected to attend.

Bruce Biossat

Reagan Could Be
Threat To Agnew

WASHINGTON (NEA) — Some Republican analysts are saying that California's Gov. Ronald Reagan rather than John Connally will give Vice President Agnew his strongest conservative opposition should Agnew decide to seek the 1976 Republican presidential nomination.

Though Reagan will not run again for governor nor try for a U.S. Senate seat, he is said to be planning to campaign heavily for others in 1974 in a Nixon-like attempt to build major political capital with the GOP.

Reagan's current status among party conservatives is high. He is already 62, but age seems no more of a handicap to him than it is to New York's Gov. Nelson Rockefeller.

The argument made by some Republicans is that if Connally hopes to earn position for 1976 by hitting the party trail in 1974, he won't stand out easily, if at all. He will cross paths with Reagan, and very likely Agnew himself.

This analysis is not all good news for Agnew, since it suggests a potential serious splitting of conservative party strength, to the possible advantage of Rockefeller or some other moderate. Nevertheless, it is another way of indicating that even the strongest words of praise for Connally by President Nixon cannot assure the Texan a smooth road.

As for Agnew, the present judgment is that he is clearly the leading prospect (some fragmentary polling evidence supports this view). One candidate-watcher insists, however, that his high office lays upon him the hard burden of never slipping from the front-runner position.

"A vice-president making a serious bid for the presidency can't afford to trail anybody," says this source.

The word "serious" is loaded with special meanings as applied to Agnew. Men close to him say flatly he wants the presidency, but they confess they don't know how badly. And, like most politicians, they believe he must sooner or later exhibit a high level of desire to have a real chance.

This problem grades into another which already has been well publicized: the serious measurement of Agnew's fitness for the presidency. Tap almost any GOP state leader or top officeholder and he will tell you that Agnew's big task is to demonstrate forcefully "his competence."

The irony for him, again something noted before, is that his earlier hatchet work for Mr. Nixon, though widely approved by many party conservatives, is one of the reasons even they want strong proofs of his abilities.

Jeffrey Hart

Campus Radicals
Bar Free Speech

According to friends of mine at Harvard, it is common knowledge on campus that since the publication of his article "I.Q." in the September, 1971 issue of the Atlantic Monthly, psychology professor R.J. Herrnstein has been subjected to constant harassment by campus radicals — his classroom invaded, hecklers ubiquitous, physical violence threatened, jostling in corridors, posters all over the place denouncing him as a racist, a fascist and so on.

All of this, as any teacher would realize, substantially crippled him as a teacher. As he now writes in a most disturbing article in the current issue of Commentary: "My colleague and I tried to deliver our lectures as normally as we could, but we were fighting a losing battle. The atmosphere in the room was hardly conducive to the business of education."

That much, indeed, I had gathered from conversations with colleagues at Harvard. But what emerges from the Commentary article is evidence of a more general collapse of academic integrity.

Now, it must be said emphatically — and it is said that at this late date it has to be said at

all — that neither the "I.Q." article nor any other part of Herrnstein's work can fairly be called "racist."

The article begins with a scientific truism to the effect that I.Q. is in part, and perhaps in large part, inherited. It then goes on to make the interesting and speculative point that, this being so, a public policy of maximizing "equality of opportunity" for all individuals would also have the effect of maximizing the influence of the genetic factor on social status.

Herrnstein said nothing about race, and in fact he has repeatedly said that the relatively low status of the blacks in contemporary America is not in his view the result of inheritable intelligence factors.

Yet all of this was swept away in a tide of irrationality. Herrnstein could not lecture at the University of Iowa on one rather esoteric subject — the learned responses of pigeons — or on another such topic at Princeton: visual perception in pigeons.

At Iowa, demonstrators from the entire region flooded the lecture hall. The walls "were festooned with placards denouncing me as racist, fascist, etc., and speakers were already addressing the crowd — warning them up . . . In the prep room, I asked the head of the campus police whether he could assure my safety if I went into the lecture hall. In effect, he said no."

Princeton's President Goheen subsequently rebuked only some conservative students who were incensed that the university had not, at the very least, exercised some moral and professional leadership.

Herrnstein's conclusions are anything but reassuring. The liberal administrators he had to deal with, he found, were at least platonically committed to his right to give his lecture. The administrators, in private, freely concluded that nothing he had written was either racist or fascist. But, and the "but" is ominous, neither were they willing to defend a man who had been defamed by the radicals. In practical terms, they simply opted out.

Herrnstein began "to see that between the radicals and the liberal intellectual community there was a more subtle connection than I had at first appreciated." The liberals had, for practical purposes, conceded to the radicals a veto over speakers on the campus.

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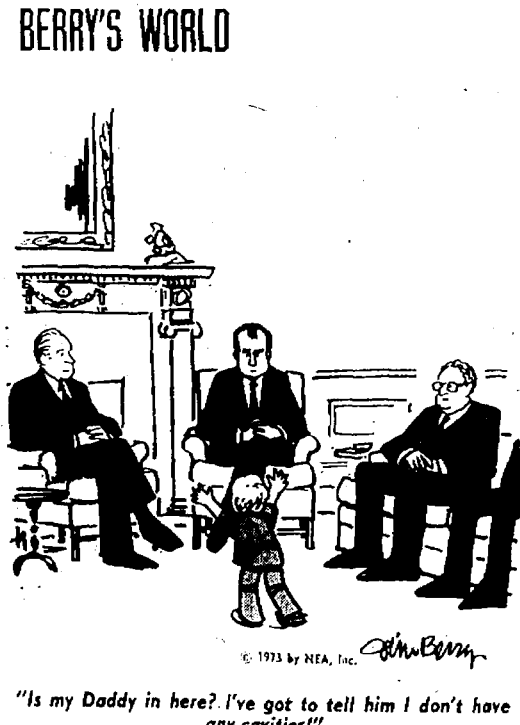
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Firm Celebrates 100th Anniversary

Name It And Brammall Sold It

By SCOTT WILLIAMSON
Staff Writer

From whipsaws to abrasive cutting tools. Wagon supplies to power tools. Brammall Supply Co. of Benton Harbor has run the gamut in its 100 year existence.

In 1873 Edward Brammall, an immigrant from England, opened his own store, dealing primarily in plumbing supplies, in a frame building on Water street.

This year Brammall Supply is celebrating its centennial year at 200 Water street, a short distance from where it was conceived shortly after the Civil War.

Reflecting on the start of the business, the late Mr. Brammall said in 1938: "In those days, we went in for heavy hardware. All sorts of wagon supplies also were a necessary part of the stock."

Today, President Kenneth F. Ankli says the firm is "constantly looking for new items" in the industrial supply field. He noted Brammall's has phased out the plumbing supply business, and moved toward industrial supply goods, including pipe valves and fittings, cutting tools, abrasives, power and hand tools, and safety equipment.

The history of the company is rich in lore, like the time the firm's young founder fixed the icebox of Mrs. Abraham Lincoln.

Mary Todd Lincoln was a grieving widow in Chicago when Brammall was called to her home to "mend an icebox." A tinsmith and plumber, he was also sometimes called to "do her plumbing."

The widow of the President was still alive when Brammall, at age 24, moved from Chicago to Benton Harbor and opened his own business.

Edward Brammall died in 1946 at the age of 96.

His brainchild, Brammall Supply Co., is the oldest firm in the Twin Cities, and one of the oldest in the southwestern Michigan area.

Wallace S. Nichols bought into the firm at about the turn of the century, and later sold his interest to Howard Ankli in 1944. Ankli's brother, Kenneth,

closed the family grocery store in St. Joseph and came to help run the business. When Kenneth died in 1945, his son, Kenneth Jr., now the president, came into the business, as did his

brother, David, who is now secretary-treasurer of the firm.

The Ankli family represents only the third party to control Brammall's in its 100 year existence.

Today the business employs 24 persons, and stocks about 15,000 items used by industry.

Brammall's is still going strong 100 years later, says President Ankli, but is depen-

dent on the industrial tempo of the community. In another 100 years, abrasive cutting tools may be as outdated as whipsaws are today.

But the firm will probably

keep pace with industry's changes, and the name of the man who once fixed Mrs. Lincoln's icebox will probably still be emblazoned on the front of the building on Water street.



CENTURY OLD FIRM: Brammall Supply Co., 200 Water street, Benton Harbor, was founded in 1873 a short distance from present site. Brammall today markets industrial supply goods, but started as plumbing and hardware store.

Some Offices To Be Closed Good Friday

While major federal and state government offices will remain open all day on Good Friday this week, many local and county offices will be closed at least part of the day.

An exception is the St. Joseph city hall, which will be closed all day Friday.

The Benton Harbor city hall will be closed all day Friday.

Open for business in the morning, but closing for the day, at noon will be the Berrien county courthouse, Benton township office and St. Joseph township office.

The U.S. post offices will conduct regular deliveries and maintain regular office hours.

Others open all day will include the U.S. Social Security office and Michigan Employment Security commission offices.

Banks, savings and loan associations will remain open.

In Benton Harbor, trash normally picked up Friday will be picked up next Monday. Regular trash pickups will be made Friday in St. Joseph and in Benton and St. Joseph townships.

The Benton Harbor public library, like city hall, will be closed all day. In St. Joseph, the Maud Preston Palenske Memorial library will be open only from 3 to 9 p.m.

Streets Will Be Improved

Five Stevensville Projects Totaling \$17,339 Approved By Council

By DAVE ANDREWS

Five street improvement projects totaling \$17,339 were approved by the Stevensville village council last night.

Work is expected to begin as soon as successful bidders are notified and the projects can be scheduled.

Action on the bids came at a meeting switched from the regular Thursday time to avoid conflict with church activities of Easter week, according to Arthur Kasewurm, village president.

Largest of the road projects is resurfacing and widening of

Johnson road from St. Joseph avenue to Red Arrow highway.

Low bid of John Yerington company, Benton Harbor, of \$11,895 was accepted by council.

Lincoln township will pay \$3,000 of the cost since part of Johnson road in the project area straddles the township-village boundary.

The Yerington company also was low bidder and received contracts on three other projects also. They were resurfacing Ridge road between John Beers and Kimmel, \$1,527.60; resurfacing

Berrien street from Kimmel to Lawrence, \$1,012.80; and resurfacing Lawrence street from Berrien to dead end, \$1,464.50.

Myers Construction service, Stevensville, was given the contract for curb and gutter work on Ridge road between Kimmel and John Beers, bidding \$4 per foot for about 310 feet on the east side of the road. The work will be completed before the resurfacing project begins.

In other business, the board asked Richard Beck, street administrator, to prepare recommendations on fees for commercial garbage collection for the board's May 3 meeting.

The village's garbage collection service began Tuesday with first residential pickups.

The board set public hearing for its regular meeting May 3 on a request by Charles Kerlikowske to re-zone a 22-acre tract of land from residential to industrial. The land is west of the railroad tracks and south of Lakeshore Brick and Stone on the north side of the village.

Kerlikowske, who is a village trustee, has an option to purchase the land. He said earlier this month that if the zoning change is approved, he would build three warehouses on the property.

The council agreed to meet at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 21, with George Ritter to inspect a

drainage problem near Ritter's restaurant.

Sackett's Redi-Por Concrete company, 5320 St. Joseph avenue, was asked to find another location for unloading railroad boxcars, halting practice of allowing cars to stand on siding in front of Mrs. Ruby

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Bids Going Up, But Not Far Enough

The village of Stevensville's 1968 model police car went down for the second time last night.

For the second straight meeting, the village council, deciding the price isn't right, rejected bids received for the car which is on the block following purchase of a newer model.

First and only bid received the first time the car went up for bids was \$111.11. Last night two bids were offered, one for \$160 and the other \$176.50.

Richard Beck, village marshal, told council he believes the car is worth more than that.

Council will send the car up a third time to see if anyone else agrees.



COMMISSIONER: Warren Andrews, a former Benton Harborite was elected to the Sault St. Marie city commission for his first term in the spring election. He is personnel manager of Sault St. Marie Area public schools. The son of the late Warren and Louella Andrews, he is a 1954 graduate of Benton Harbor high school, a graduate of Kalamazoo college and has a master's degree from Eastern Michigan university.

Rates Up

DETROIT (AP) — Two Detroit banks have announced they will raise their prime interest rates for large firms from 6 1/2 per cent to 6 3/4 per cent.

National Bank of Detroit and Bank of the Commonwealth said their actions would take effect immediately. Both will hold the interest rate for small businesses at 6 1/2 per cent.

BH Police Sergeant Suspended

Benton Harbor police Sgt. Harry Lenardson has been placed on suspension for four working days for violation of a departmental rule. Acting Police Chief Meredith Rynearson said the suspension began Tuesday.

The violation was the unwarranted firing of a pistol during apprehension of three burglary suspects April 11. Lenardson Wednesday filed for a civil service board hearing on the suspension. The hearing is to be held within 20 days.

The walk-a-thon will start at Bard school and terminate

Walkers Will Raise Funds For Special Ed Olympics

A group of walkers representing the special education departments of the Benton Harbor and St. Joseph school districts will wind their way through the Twin Cities Friday to raise funds for the upcoming local Special Olympics.

About 10 walkers, including administrators, teachers and students, expect to cover 10 miles, with donors contributing \$1 for every mile.

The walk-a-thon will start at Bard school and terminate

at the I-94 overpass on Red Arrow highway in Stevensville.

The money will be used to help finance the twin Cities Special Olympics, which will be held April 28 at the St. Joseph high school swimming pool and Dickinson Stadium.

Any individuals or organizations wishing to make a contribution to the walk-a-thon may do so by calling 465-6314 after 6 p.m.



LAW FIRM MOVING TO SJ: The law firm of Seymour, Seymour, Conybeare and Hosbein will open practice Monday in new offices at 610 Ship street (over Luitje's Coins & Antiques) St. Joseph. The firm has been located at 72 West Main street in the Gray building, Benton Harbor. From left,

seated: Bruce Conybeare, Dalton G. Seymour, Dale A. Seymour; standing: James Straub, associate member; and Gary Hosbein. Dale Seymour founded the firm in 1940 in Benton Harbor. His brother, Dalton, joined in 1946; Conybeare became a partner in 1966, and Hosbein in 1971. (Staff photo)

Boozers Get Help Instead Of Jailtime

Van Buren Will Launch Program Next Month



LUTHER DAINES
Joins in announcement

SOUTH HAVEN — A second program designed to provide an alternative to jail time for persons convicted of alcohol use violations is to be launched in Van Buren county next month.

Judge Donald Goodwillie Jr. of South Haven and Judge Luther Daines of Paw Paw said the program — the Alcohol Basic Information Series — is directed at problem drinkers convicted of liquor violations and also at informing the public about alcohol abuse. It is to be administered by the Van Buren Mental Health center.

The first program, launched through cooperation of Seventh district court and the Alcohol-Highway Safety project, has been in operation since late last year under the Paw Paw community schools program.

Both efforts involve classroom instruction, but the new series will deal with the full range of alcohol abuses, not just with drinking drivers, according to Joseph Foster, alcoholism program director for the county.

Foster said persons referred to the program by the courts as part of court-imposed probation will be required to attend four meetings. Private interviews with a counselor also will be scheduled, he said.

The meetings, which will begin in May at the district court building in South Haven and are scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesdays, will be open to the public, Foster said.

Greater public awareness of the problem of alcohol abuse will help lead to early detection and treatment of alcoholism, he said.

Goodwillie, who estimated that 40 per cent of his case load involves alcohol-related offenses, said he looks on the program not "as a form of penalty, but as a way of helping individuals overcome a serious problem."

One of the aims of the program is to reduce the number of persons who are arrested repeatedly for alcohol use violations.



DONALD GOODWILLIE JR.
"Viable alternative"



JOSEPH FOSTER
To direct program

Top Postman To Address State Convention Here

James H. Rademacher, president of the National Association of Letter Carriers, will speak at the 71st convention of the Michigan State Association of Letter Carriers on May 18 at the Benton Harbor Ramada Inn.

Rademacher is one of four presidents who will represent postal workers when contract negotiations begin today for a new two-year contract. The old contract expires at midnight, July 20, according to Louis L. Miller, president of Branch 560 of the Benton Harbor NALC.

Miller said one of the items Rademacher will propose is that a ballot be mailed to active union members for ratification or rejection of the tentative agreement before it can be signed by the national union presidents.

Galien River Project Sewer Plan Carries Only Red Ink

NEW BUFFALO — The Galien river sanitary sewer project has \$455,000 in bills and no money to pay them, Herbert Seeder, a member of the project's governing commission and chairman of the Berrien county public works board, said last night.

Seeder reported at last night's

commission meeting that engineering and consulting fees on the proposed \$12 million project so far total \$455,000.

About 80 per cent of the engineering work on the cooperative system, which would serve New Buffalo city and New Buffalo and Chikaming townships, was completed before federal

funds for the project were withdrawn, Seeder said.

The project was to have received 75 per cent federal and state funding, but controversy over spending cuts at the federal level has postponed funding.

Seeder said last night he has been in Lansing recently and

was told there the New Buffalo project is still 50th in priority on the state's list of projects to be funded, of which only 20 will be funded this year.

He said he was told there is a possibility that a large Detroit project will not be ready in time to receive funds, however, and funds diverted from it might

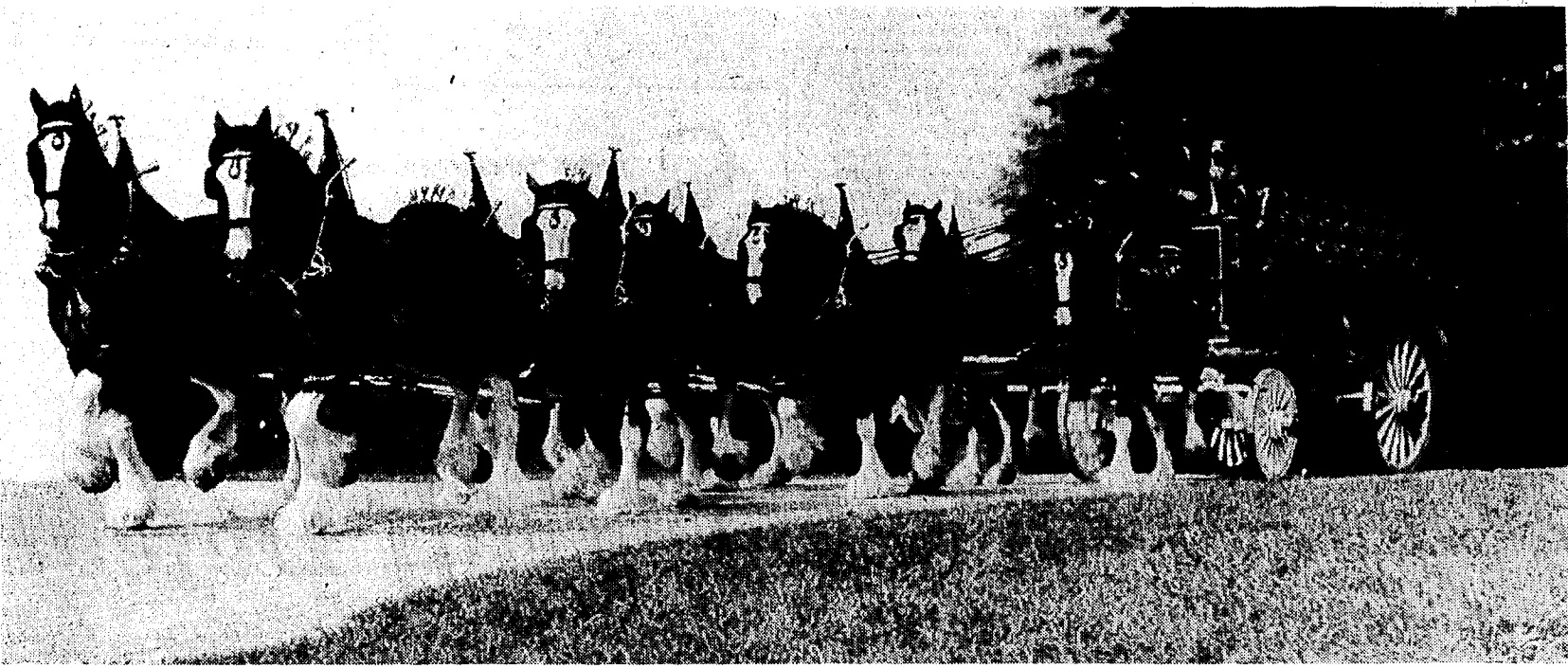
cover many other projects on the lists.

Ralph Petrie, consulting engineer on the Galien river project, said he has heard from unofficial sources that state and federal funding for the project, when received, may be cut from 75 to 55 per cent.

THEY'RE RETURNING: The Budweiser champion Clydesdales will appear again in southwestern Michigan's Blossomtime Grand Floral Parade Saturday, May 5. The hitch is perhaps the most widely traveled team of horses in the U.S.

Clydesdales are of Scotch origin and are now bred in the U.S. and Canada. Anheuser-Busch established its own breeding operation several years ago to assure continuity of the company's

Clydesdales that meet rigid standards for color, size, weight and conformation. Announcement of the Clydesdale's appearance was announced by Ralph Schaffer of South End Beverage.



Legislators To Explain Top Issues

Four state legislators from southwestern Michigan will field questions on current legislative issues at two meetings in Berrien county next week.

The first session will be held in conjunction with the April meeting of the county Republican committee, Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the Youth Memorial Building, Berrien Springs. Lee

Aubt of Berrien Springs, county GOP chairman, said all Republicans are welcome to attend and ask questions.

Then, Wednesday at 7:30 a.m. the legislators will answer questions at a Twin Cities Chamber of Commerce breakfast. Reservations have been mailed to Chamber members, but anyone interested in attending the breakfast can call the

Chamber office for reservations.

Legislators appearing at the meetings will be State Sen. Charles O. Zollar, Benton Harbor; Rep. Ray Mittan, 44th District, Benton Harbor; Rep. Harry Gast, Jr., 43rd District, Stevensville, and Rep. Bela Kennedy, 44th District, Bangor.

Dowagiac Recall Targets Reply 'Power Structure' Blamed

BY DAVE ANDREWS
Staff Writer

DOWAGIAC — Sam Schpok, treasurer of the Dowagiac school board and one target in a school recall election drive, sees the push as an effort by what he terms the "Dowagiac power structure" to regain control of the board.

Schpok contends the board was controlled by people with connections to the power structure until 1972. At that time he was elected treasurer of the board and Joey Andrews Jr. was named president.

Andrews is the other target of the recall drive. Both he and Schpok have denied allegations leveled by promoters of the move and went into detail to discuss issues raised by recall leaders.

The "power structure," Schpok says, is composed of some financiers, businessmen and professional men who have had and maintain a dominant role in Dowagiac's economic life.

Prior to 1972, Schpok maintains, this group ran the schools to their own advantage.

He and Andrews, Schpok states are outside the "power structure."

The recall petitions on Schpok include statements that Schpok "personally received \$1,000" from the sale of equipment to the district; has permitted the manipulation of a legally submitted bid; has illegally invested school district funds; and has promoted sale of materials he owns.

The recall petitions on Andrews state among other charges that Andrews is leader

of a board who released Dexter Clough, long-time administrator and McKinley school principal Paul Woodley; ignores needs of students to increase his power; has interfered in administration of schools; manipulated bids on a car; took a case to court illegally; conducts secret meetings; and with Schpok illegally deposited funds.

Both Schpok and Andrews claim school records show they have not acted in the wrong. Schpok said the \$1,000

figure stemmed from a purchase by the district of auto mechanic equipment from the Automotive Parts-Land firm in Niles.

According to Schpok, the firm obtained the equipment from him under an agreement dating from 1967. He said the agreement provided that the firm could buy the equipment from him when it had a buyer.

Schpok said the school board was aware that he had owned the equipment at one time and that it was stored in his garage

before approving the \$1,250 purchase.

Schpok said at least three administrators examined the equipment and recommended the purchase as a "bargain".

In a prepared release, Schpok said he had not illegally invested school district funds and that he had not manipulated bidding. Purchases, he said, in referring to other charges, were made on the basis of low bids.

The treasurer accused the committee pushing the recall of lacking facts and showing their ignorance.

Andrews said, in reference to the bid situation, that the auto dealer accusing him of "manipulation" is the one that previously had a monopoly on providing cars to the district.

According to Andrews the dealer leased cars to the district when there should have been no fee involved because the cars were supposed to be for driver education courses.

Andrews said the school was



JOEY ANDREWS JR.
Also denies charges



SAM SCHPOK
Denies allegations

also charged a maintenance fee when none should have been imposed.

The board president said the contract for supplying the latest car to the district went to a new firm, Hedges-Dreisbach after its bid was clarified.

Andrews labeled charges by the committee slander and utterly stupid.

Craig Larzelere, co-chairman of the committee sponsoring the recall drive, has announced that over half of the signatures needed to bring the elections have been collected.

Larzelere declined to identify other committee members, but said 10 persons began the effort and about 100 are now actively involved in the petition drive.

11 DAYS

Insomniac Still Going For Record

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich. (AP) — "It's 4:02, this is Dave's Gulf, and Marshall is still awake."

That's how Marshall Maynor started answering the phone at the Mount Clemens gas station where he works after one of his customers started calling every 20 minutes, to see if he was still holding out.

Maynor, 18, has been awake since 6 a.m. Sunday, and he's confident he can stay up for more than 11 days, 18 hours and 55 minutes, the time listed by the Guinness Book of World Records.

"That's only if I stay away from the TV set," he said.

Maynor started the sleepless marathon as a gimmick to collect money from customers for crippled children. About \$30 came in Wednesday and one customer pledged \$100 if the gas station attendant can last five days.

Maynor says he spends about three hours a night playing cards and drinking coffee and occasionally sticks his head in a bucket of water to keep sleep away.

Andrews Prexy Hits 'Youth Pollution'

BERRIEN SPRINGS — Dr. Richard Hammill, president of Andrews university, described "youth pollution" as a problem requiring deeper involvement to handle than environmental pollution last night.

Hammill, giving the keynote address to the council of Collegiate Adventists for Better Living (CABL) at the university, said "youth pollution" is a problem that requires deeper involvement to handle than environmental pollution last night.

He named tobacco, alcohol and drugs as the pollutants.

Hammill said youth workers have to let youths know that everyone is subject to tensions and disappointments; offer help during the stress times; be more active in educating youths to the dangers of artificial tension relievers and convince youth that physical pollution of the body hurt both the body and

the spiritual. "A young person who knows these things (physical pollutants) hurt his body and still uses them is harming his very soul, and there the real pollution takes place," Hammill said. "He is rejecting God."

Hammill said youths begin using the pollutants for six main reasons: curiosity, boredom, peer pressure, hostility, pressure and a desire to be like the culture that seems popular.

According to Hammill, the youth pollution problem is "spasmodic" on the AU campus. He told the council that the university gets rid of pushers immediately.

"The experimenters," he said, "we try to work with."

The council is made up of delegates from 12 Seventh-day Adventist colleges and was formed last year. Its aim is to have youth working for youth in

providing a positive approach to better living.



DR. RICHARD HAMMILL